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Mr. INOUE (for himself, and Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. DOMENICI, Mrs. KASSEBAUM, and Mr. SIMON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

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To establish the National Indian Research Institute.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### 3   **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “National Indian  
5   Research Institute Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 (a) FINDINGS OF CONGRESS.—The Congress finds  
3 that:

4 (1) The policy of the United States toward In-  
5 dian and Alaska Native tribes which has emerged  
6 over the course of 200 years of relationships is based  
7 upon the following fundamental principles:

8 (A) Federal-Indian policy is premised upon  
9 the government-to-government relationship be-  
10 tween the United States and Indian tribal gov-  
11 ernments;

12 (B) the United States has a trust respon-  
13 sibility to protect, maintain, and manage Indian  
14 lands and related natural resources, including  
15 water, fisheries, game and game habitat, and to  
16 preserve permanent homelands for native people  
17 within this Nation;

18 (C) tribal rights of self-government are  
19 recognized under the United States Constitu-  
20 tion and numerous treaties, intergovernmental  
21 agreements, statutes and Executive orders, and  
22 have been consistently upheld by the highest  
23 courts of the United States;

24 (D) the goals of economic self-sufficiency  
25 and improvement of the social well-being of  
26 tribal communities, with the objective of achiev-

1 ing parity with the general United States popu-  
2 lation as evidenced by national averages for  
3 health care, per capita income and rates of em-  
4 ployment and educational achievement, are rec-  
5 ognized as the basis of numerous Federal stat-  
6 utes and administrative policies;

7 (E) the unique cultural heritage of tribal  
8 people in the United States, including mainte-  
9 nance of native language proficiency, the prac-  
10 tice of traditional ceremonies, and religious and  
11 artistic expression, is recognized in numerous  
12 Acts of Congress as an irreplaceable national  
13 heritage to be supported and protected; and

14 (F) for nearly two decades, the United  
15 States has consistently endorsed and advanced  
16 the principle of Indian self-determination, with  
17 the objective of ending Federal domination of  
18 programs affecting Indians and ensuring that  
19 tribal governments are empowered to plan, con-  
20 duct, and administer such programs themselves.

21 (2) Despite broad agreement on the underlying  
22 principles of United States Indian policy, laws en-  
23 acted by the Congress and regulations adopted by  
24 Federal agencies do not invariably reflect such prin-  
25 ciples owing to the large number of executive branch

1 agencies and the large number of congressional com-  
2 mittees determining policy and owing to the absence  
3 of an institutional resource from which agencies and  
4 congressional committees might obtain objective and  
5 reliable data, information, and analyses based upon  
6 the fullest knowledge of the underlying policy prin-  
7 ciples.

8 (3) Performance of its trust responsibility to  
9 American Indians consistent with the highest fidu-  
10 ciary standards requires the United States to assure  
11 that accurate and reliable information and scholarly  
12 analyses are available to institutions shaping public  
13 policy.

14 (4) Federal Indian policy impacts the lives and  
15 property of all American citizens, Indian and non-In-  
16 dian, living on or near reservations throughout In-  
17 dian country.

18 (5) Establishment of an independent, non-  
19 partisan, institute to provide data, information, and  
20 analyses related to Indian issues would assist insti-  
21 tutions in shaping sound and consistent public policy  
22 and its establishment is warranted.

23 (6) The establishment of an institute is not in-  
24 tended, nor should it be construed as, a delegation

1 of the responsibilities of the United States in formu-  
2 lating and adopting public policy.

3 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

4 For purposes of this Act:

5 (1) The term “Indian” means any person who  
6 is a member of an Indian tribe.

7 (2) The term “Indian tribe” means any tribe,  
8 band, nation, or other organized group or commu-  
9 nity of Indians including any Alaska Native village  
10 which is recognized by the United States as eligible  
11 for special programs and services provided by the  
12 United States to Indians because of their status as  
13 Indians.

14 (3) The term “Institute” means the National  
15 Indian Research Institute established by this Act.

16 (4) The term “Board” means the Board of Di-  
17 rectors of the Institute.

18 (5) The term “president” means the president  
19 of the George Washington University located in  
20 Washington, District of Columbia.

21 **SEC. 4. ESTABLISHMENT OF INSTITUTE.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is established a federally  
23 chartered corporation to be known as the “National In-  
24 dian Research Institute” which shall be located in Wash-  
25 ington, District of Columbia, and, with the consent of

1 George Washington University, as indicated by the accept-  
2 ance by it of the grant authorized under section 12 of this  
3 Act, within the George Washington University for pur-  
4 poses of administration and management. For purposes  
5 of policy and direction, the Institute shall be under the  
6 control of the Board of Directors established under section  
7 7 of this Act.

8 (b) SUCCESSION AND AMENDMENT OF CHARTER.—  
9 The Federal corporation established by this Act shall have  
10 succession, subject to the review provided for in subsection  
11 (c), until dissolved by Act of Congress. The Congress shall  
12 have exclusive authority to revise or amend the provisions  
13 of this Act involving the establishment and operation of  
14 such corporation.

15 (c) REVIEW.—No later than 60 months after enact-  
16 ment of this Act, the Congress shall review the activities  
17 and performance of the Institute and of George Washing-  
18 ton University in support of the Institute's purposes to  
19 determine whether amendments to this Act are required.

20 **SEC. 5. FUNCTIONS.**

21 (a) RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS.—The Institute shall,  
22 at the request of institutions shaping policies affecting In-  
23 dians or upon its own initiative, conduct or commission  
24 research and analysis to be carried out, in accordance with  
25 the highest standards of scholarship and independence, on

1 issues related to the development of public policy affecting  
2 Indians. The Institute shall adopt criteria and procedures  
3 to guide the selection of research projects *consistent with*  
4 *section 7(f)(3)*. Priority consideration shall be given to pol-  
5 icy initiatives proposed for consideration by the executive  
6 or legislative branches of the Federal Government. In con-  
7 ducting or commissioning research and analysis on issues  
8 relating to the development of public policy affecting Indi-  
9 ans, the Institute shall ensure that such research shall  
10 consider all factors affecting Indian policy including the  
11 impact of such policy upon other Americans.

12 (b) DATA AND INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE.—  
13 The Institute shall establish a data base to make acces-  
14 sible information and data maintained by Government  
15 agencies, academic institutions, and Indian and other or-  
16 ganizations, and shall develop computer and telecommuni-  
17 cation networks to make such information recoverable by  
18 policymakers and the public. Where it is determined that  
19 developing a new and specific data base is required, the  
20 Institute shall undertake to meet such need.

21 (c) FORUMS AND SYMPOSIA.—The Institute shall  
22 conduct periodic public forums to identify and explore  
23 emerging Indian policy issues and to identify needs for  
24 data, information, or analyses, and shall conduct  
25 symposia, when appropriate, to clarify options for policy-



1 makers and to advance an understanding of complex and  
2 interrelated public policy issues as they affect Indian peo-  
3 ple and the formulation of Indian policy.

4 (d) PUBLIC INFORMATION.—(1) The Institute shall  
5 publish and make available to the executive and legislative  
6 branches of the Federal Government, tribal governments,  
7 tribal colleges, and the public, the products of its research  
8 and reports of other activities by disseminating informa-  
9 tion about such research and reports as deemed appro-  
10 priate by the Board.

11 (2) Nothing in paragraph (1) or any other provision  
12 of this Act shall be construed as prohibiting any Indian  
13 tribal government from imposing any condition, limitation,  
14 or other restriction on the use or dissemination of any in-  
15 formation or other data made available by such tribal gov-  
16 ernment to the Institute under this Act.

17 **SEC. 6. GENERAL POWERS OF INSTITUTE.**

18 (a) POWERS OF INSTITUTE.—In carrying out the  
19 provisions of this Act, the Institute shall have the power,  
20 consistent with the provisions of this Act—

21 (1) to adopt, use and alter a corporate seal;

22 (2) to make, subject to the availability of funds,  
23 agreements and contracts with persons, Indian tribal  
24 governments, tribal organizations, and private or  
25 governmental entities, and to make payments or ad-

1 vance payments under such agreements or contracts  
2 without regard to the provisions of section 3324 of  
3 title 31, United States Code;

4 (3) to sue and be sued in its corporate name  
5 and to complain and defend in any court of com-  
6 petent jurisdiction;

7 (4) to represent itself, or to contract for rep-  
8 resentation, in all judicial, legal, and other proceed-  
9 ings;

10 (5) with the approval of the Federal agency  
11 concerned and on a reimbursable basis, to make use  
12 of services, facilities, and property of any board,  
13 commission, independent establishment, or executive  
14 agency or department of the Federal Government in  
15 carrying out the provisions of this Act, and to pay  
16 for such use;

17 (6) to solicit, accept, and dispose of gifts, be-  
18 quests, devises of money, securities, and other prop-  
19 erties of whatever character, for the benefit of the  
20 Institute;

21 (7) to receive grants from, and subject to the  
22 availability of funds, enter into contracts and other  
23 arrangements with Federal, State, tribal, or local  
24 governments, public and private agencies, organiza-  
25 tions, institutions, and individuals;

1           (8) to acquire, hold, maintain, use, operate, and  
2       dispose of such real property, including improve-  
3       ments thereon, personal property, equipment, and  
4       other items, as may be necessary to enable the Insti-  
5       tute to carry out the provisions of this Act;

6           (9) to obtain insurance or make other provi-  
7       sions against losses;

8           (10) to use any funds or property received by  
9       the Institute to carry out the purpose of this Act ex-  
10      cept that any funds received by, or under the control  
11      of the Institute that are not Federal funds shall be  
12      accounted for separately from Federal funds; and

13          (11) to exercise all other lawful powers nec-  
14      essarily or reasonably related to the establishment of  
15      the Institute in order to carry out the provisions of  
16      this Act and the exercise of the powers, purposes,  
17      functions, duties, and authorized activities of the In-  
18      stitute.

19   **SEC. 7. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

20       (a) COMPOSITION.—

21           (1) The Board of Directors of the Institute  
22      shall consist of the following members:

23           (A) Seven individuals appointed within 12  
24      months following the date of enactment of this  
25      Act by the President pro tempore of the Senate

1 and 7 individuals appointed within the same pe-  
2 riod by the Speaker of the House of Represent-  
3 atives, who are representative of a broad range  
4 of Indian policy expertise as evidenced by estab-  
5 lished credentials in the different disciplines  
6 which make up the diverse field of Indian pol-  
7 icy, including degrees from recognized academic  
8 institutions, leadership in public policymaking  
9 positions, or affiliation with public and private  
10 institutions which are known for their signifi-  
11 cant contributions to the public interest. The  
12 President pro tempore shall appoint from a list  
13 of persons submitted by the chairman of the  
14 Committee on Indian Affairs, and the Speaker  
15 shall appoint from a list of persons submitted  
16 by the chairman of the Committee on Natural  
17 Resources of the House of Representatives.

18 (B) Two individuals appointed by the  
19 president of George Washington University  
20 within 12 months following the date of the en-  
21 actment of this Act from among the faculty, of-  
22 ficers, or employees of George Washington Uni-  
23 versity. Members appointed pursuant to this  
24 subparagraph shall serve at the pleasure of the  
25 president.

1 (C) The president of George Washington  
2 University, or his or her designee, and the Di-  
3 rector of the Institute, both of whom shall serve  
4 as ex officio voting members of the Board.

5 (2) In making appointments under subsection  
6 (a)(1)(A), the appointing authorities shall—

7 (A) consult with Indian tribal governments  
8 and tribal organizations;

9 (B) solicit nominations from Indian public  
10 policy specialists, Indian tribal governments,  
11 tribal colleges, other Indian organizations, aca-  
12 demic institutions and public officials with In-  
13 dian policy responsibilities; and

14 (C) ensure that a majority of appointments  
15 are Indians who are broadly representative of  
16 Indian country.

17 (b) INTERIM BOARD.—The Planning Committee, ap-  
18 pointed by the president of George Washington University  
19 to assist with the feasibility study for the establishment  
20 of a National Center for Native American Studies and In-  
21 dian Policy Development, as authorized by section 11 of  
22 Public Law 101–301, and composed of those individuals  
23 serving at the time of enactment of this Act, shall serve  
24 as the interim Board until the appointments authorized  
25 in subsection (a)(1) have been made. Their service shall

1 terminate on the date that all members authorized to be  
2 appointed under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph  
3 (1) of subsection (a) are appointed.

4 (c) TERMS OF OFFICE.—

5 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section,  
6 members of the Board of Directors appointed pursu-  
7 ant to subsection (a)(1)(A) shall be appointed for  
8 terms of office of 3 years.

9 (2) Of the members first appointed under sub-  
10 section (a)(1)(A) of this section—

11 (A) 5 shall have a term of office of 12  
12 months;

13 (B) 5 shall have a term of office of 24  
14 months; and

15 (C) 4 shall have a term of office of 36  
16 months.

17 (3) The term of office assigned to each of the  
18 initial members of the Board as provided under  
19 paragraph (2) shall be determined by the appointing  
20 authorities at the time of appointment, except that  
21 no member shall be eligible to serve in excess of 2  
22 consecutive terms, but may continue to serve until  
23 such member's successor is appointed.

24 (d) VACANCIES.—Any member of the Board ap-  
25 pointed under subsection (a) of this section to fill a va-

1 cancy occurring before the expiration of the term to which  
 2 such member's predecessor was appointed shall be ap-  
 3 pointed for the remainder of such term.

4 (e) REMOVAL.—No member of the Board appointed  
 5 pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(A) of this section may be  
 6 removed during the term of office of such member except  
 7 for just and sufficient cause. However, absence from 3  
 8 consecutive meetings shall be considered just and suffi-  
 9 cient cause.

10 (f) POWERS OF BOARD.—The Board is authorized  
 11 *and directed to*—

12 (1) formulate policy for the Institute and pro-  
 13 vide direction for its management, in consultation  
 14 with George Washington University; ~~and~~

15 (2) make such bylaws and rules as it deems  
 16 necessary for the administration of its functions  
 17 under this Act, including the organization and oper-  
 18 ating procedures of the ~~Board~~. *Board; and*

19 (3) *establish a process for independent peer re-*  
 20 *view of research proposals submitted to the Institute*  
 21 *based upon the research competence of the applicant,*  
 22 *the applicant's knowledge of related research, the util-*  
 23 *ity or relevance of the research, and such other cri-*  
 24 *teria as the Board may identify for specific projects.*

1       (g) OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The  
2 Board shall select from among its members an executive  
3 committee to be comprised of a co-chair selected by the  
4 Board to serve with a co-chair designated by George  
5 Washington University, and a vice chair, secretary, treas-  
6 urer, and one at-large member selected by the Board. In  
7 accordance with the bylaws of the Board, such members  
8 shall provide direction for the Board, and serve in lieu of  
9 the Board on matters requiring Board action, subject to  
10 review and action by the Board as the members of the  
11 Board may deem appropriate.

12       (h) COMMITTEES.—The Board may establish such  
13 committees, task forces, and working groups as it deems  
14 appropriate and necessary.

15       (i) COMPENSATION.—Members of the Board ap-  
16 pointed under subsection (a)(1)(A) shall, for each day they  
17 are engaged in the performance of their duties, receive  
18 compensation at the rate of \$125 per day, including travel  
19 time. All members of the Board, while so serving away  
20 from their homes or regular place of business, shall be  
21 allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of sub-  
22 sistence.

23 **SEC. 8. RESOURCE ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

24       (a) RESOURCE ADVISORY COUNCIL.—There is estab-  
25 lished the Resource Advisory Council to the National In-



1 dian Research Institute (hereafter referred to as the  
2 “Council”) which shall provide assistance in the develop-  
3 ment and operations of the Institute.

4 (b) COMPOSITION.—The membership of the Council  
5 is as follows:

- 6 (1) Secretary of Health and Human Services;
- 7 (2) Secretary of Interior;
- 8 (3) Secretary of Education;
- 9 (4) Secretary, Smithsonian Institution;
- 10 (5) Secretary of Commerce;
- 11 (6) Secretary of Labor;
- 12 (7) Administrator of the Environmental Protec-  
13 tion Agency;
- 14 (8) Director, National Academy of Sciences;
- 15 (9) Librarian of Congress;
- 16 (10) Director, Office of Technology Assessment
- 17 (11) Director, National Institutes of Health;
- 18 (12) Chairman, Committee on Indian Affairs,  
19 United States Senate; and
- 20 (13) Chairman, Committee on Natural Re-  
21 sources, United States House of Representatives.

22 (c) FUNCTIONS.—The Council, which is advisory only  
23 and exercises no executive authority—

1           (1) shall make recommendations to the Board  
2 of Directors regarding research procedures and or-  
3 ganizational development;

4           (2) shall provide professional and technical as-  
5 sistance upon request of the Board of Directors, in-  
6 cluding staff support for the activities of the Coun-  
7 cil;

8           (3) when biannual meetings are called by the  
9 chairmen of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs  
10 and the Committee on Natural Resources of the  
11 House of Representatives, shall attend such meet-  
12 ings or shall designate an individual or individuals to  
13 attend on behalf of the Council; and

14           (4) may make reports and recommendations to  
15 the Board of Directors and to the Congress as they  
16 may from time to time request, or as the Council  
17 may consider necessary to more effectively accom-  
18 plish the purposes of this Act.

19 **SEC. 9. OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.**

20           (a) DIRECTOR.—The Board of Directors, with the  
21 concurrence of the president, shall appoint a Director of  
22 the Institute. The Director may only be removed from of-  
23 fice by the Board in accordance with the bylaws of the  
24 Institute.

1       (b) RESPONSIBILITY OF DIRECTOR.—Subject to the  
2 direction of the Board, and the general supervision of the  
3 president, the Director shall have the responsibility for  
4 carrying out the policies and functions of the Institute,  
5 and shall have authority over all personnel and activities  
6 of the Institute.

7       (c) EMPLOYEES.—The Director, with the approval of  
8 the Board, shall have the authority to appoint and fix the  
9 compensation and duties of such officers and employees  
10 as may be necessary for the efficient administration of the  
11 Institute.

12       (d) PREFERENCE.—In implementing this section, the  
13 Board and the Director shall afford preference to Amer-  
14 ican Indians.

15       **SEC. 10. NONPROFIT AND NONPOLITICAL NATURE OF IN-**  
16                                   **STITUTE.**

17       (a) NOT AN ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION.—The Insti-  
18 tute shall not engage in the advocacy of public policy alter-  
19 natives, represent itself as the voice of tribal governments,  
20 or take other actions that might be construed as interfer-  
21 ing with or diminishing the government-to-government re-  
22 lationship between tribal governments and the United  
23 States.

1 (b) NO SUPPORT TO POLITICAL PARTIES.—The In-  
2 stitute may not contribute to, or otherwise support, any  
3 political party or candidate for elective public office.

4 (c) OTHER.—No part of the income or assets of the  
5 Institute shall inure to the benefit of any director, officer,  
6 employee, or any other individual, except as salary or rea-  
7 sonable compensation for services.

8 **SEC. 11. TAX STATUS OF INSTITUTE.**

9 The Institute and the franchise, capital, reserves, in-  
10 come and property of the Institute is exempt from all tax-  
11 ation imposed by the United States, by any Indian tribal  
12 government, or by any State or political subdivision there-  
13 of, or the District of Columbia.

14 **SEC. 12. TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS AND ADMINISTRATION**  
15 **BY THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.**

16 (a) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.—There are trans-  
17 ferred to the Institute, and such Institute shall perform,  
18 the functions set forth under section 11 of Public Law  
19 101–301 relating to the National Center for Native Amer-  
20 ican Studies and Indian Policy Development, and section  
21 816(e) of the Native American Programs Act of 1974 (42  
22 U.S.C. 2991 et seq.).

23 (b) GRANT.—Subject to an appropriation by the Con-  
24 gress for this purpose, within 30 days following the date  
25 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and

1 Human Services shall award a grant to the George Wash-  
 2 ington University for all activities of the Institute and to  
 3 enable the University to provide such management, tech-  
 4 nical and support assistance to the Institute as may be  
 5 reasonable or necessary to operate the Institute, including  
 6 audit, accounting, computer services and building and  
 7 maintenance services. Subject to the availability of funds,  
 8 the grant shall be automatically renewable, at the option  
 9 of the University, on an annual basis until such time as  
 10 Congress may provide otherwise. No offsets or matching  
 11 requirements may be imposed.

12 **SEC. 13. RELATIONSHIP WITH TRIBAL COLLEGES AND**  
 13 ***OTHER RESEARCH ORGANIZATIONS.***

14 *(a) CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS.*—The Director of  
 15 the Institute, pursuant to the direction of, and in consulta-  
 16 tion with, the Board of Directors, is authorized to enter  
 17 into contracts, memoranda of understanding and agree-  
 18 ments with—

19 (1) tribally controlled community colleges as de-  
 20 fined by section 2(a)(4) of the Tribally Controlled  
 21 Community College Assistance Act of 1978; ~~and~~

22 (2) the United Tribes Technical College, South-  
 23 west Indian Polytechnic Institute, Haskell Indian  
 24 Junior College, and Crownpoint Institute of Tech-  
 25 nology; *and*

1           (3) *other research institutions which have experi-*  
2           *ence in the conduct of research that has been success-*  
3           *fully carried out in cooperation with American Indi-*  
4           *ans;*

5 for the purpose of conducting research, developing issue  
6 papers, or to assist the Institute in carrying out its respon-  
7 sibilities under this Act.

8           (b) *PREFERENCES.*—*In the award of contracts for re-*  
9           *search, the Director may give preference to institutions or*  
10          *individuals that have successfully conducted research in co-*  
11          *operation with American Indian tribal governments and*  
12          *organizations.*

13 **SEC. 14. REPORTS.**

14          (a) **ANNUAL REPORT.**—The Director of the Institute  
15 shall submit an annual report to the chairman of the Sen-  
16 ate Committee on Indian Affairs, the chairman of the  
17 Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-  
18 resentatives, and to the Board concerning the activities  
19 and status of the Institute during the 12-month period  
20 preceding the date of the report. Such report shall include,  
21 among other matters, a comprehensive summary of stud-  
22 ies performed and activities carried out, a detailed state-  
23 ment of private and public funds, gifts, and other items  
24 of a monetary value received by the Institute during such  
25 12-month period, and the disposition thereof, as well as

1 any recommendations for improving the Institute. Such  
2 report shall also be provided to all tribal governments.

3 (b) BUDGET PROPOSAL.—(1) The Board shall sub-  
4 mit a budget proposal for the Institute for fiscal year  
5 1994, and each fiscal year thereafter, to the Secretary of  
6 Health and Human Services. The Secretary of Health and  
7 Human Services shall transmit such budget proposal, to-  
8 gether with the budget proposal of the Department of  
9 Health and Human Services, to the President of the  
10 United States. The budget proposal of the Institute shall  
11 be included in the annual budget of the President of the  
12 United States.

13 (2) In determining the amount of funds to be appro-  
14 priated for any fiscal year to the Institute on the basis  
15 of the budget of the Institute for that fiscal year, the Con-  
16 gress shall not consider the amount of private fundraising  
17 or bequests made on behalf of the Institute during any  
18 preceding fiscal year.

19 **SEC. 15. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAWS.**

20 For the purpose of administering the Federal crimi-  
21 nal laws relating to larceny, embezzlement, or conversion  
22 of property or funds, the Institute shall be considered to  
23 be a Federal entity and subject to such laws.

1 **SEC. 16. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2       There are authorized to be appropriated for fiscal  
3 year 1994, \$1,000,000, and for fiscal years 1995 and  
4 1996 such sums as may be necessary, to carry out the  
5 provisions of this Act. Funds appropriated pursuant to the  
6 authorizations under this section shall remain available  
7 without fiscal year limitation.

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